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Dear Sir/Madam,

Your refund request for 10583560 in the amount of \$50.00 has been denied .

There are twenty-seven total claims. Claims three and four are multiples there was no amendment in place at the time of examination. Fees are proper.

Sincerely,

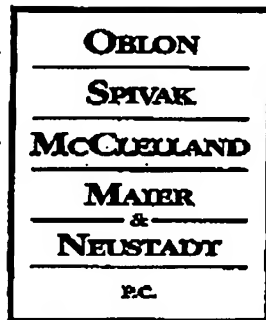
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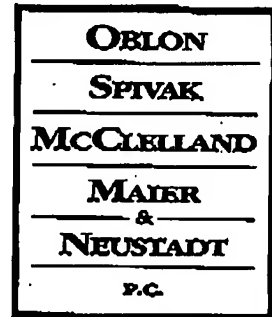
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Attn: Refund Department

Re: Deposit Account Number 150030

Dear Sir or Madame:

Enclosed is a copy of a portion of our Deposit Account Statement of March 2007. Please review the highlighted charge on Serial Number 10/583,560, in the amount of \$50.00 on fee code number 1615.

This charge appears to be in error as Claim 4 is Improper as it refers back to Multiple Dependent Claim 3 and therefore, should be counted as one Claim when calculating fees.

Please review this application and kindly refund \$50.00 to deposit account number 150030. Copies of the appropriate paperwork are attached. If you have any questions, please contact Scott Lohr at (703) 412-6472. Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

OBLON, SPIVAK, McCLELLAND,  
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Scott Lohr

Enclosure: Deposit Account Statement

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03/16 16	10499825	255421USOPCT	1806	\$180.00	\$31,426.71
03/16 18	09518403	SONY-C7751	1806	\$180.00	\$31,606.71
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03/27 36	10184888	224052US0XCONT	8001	\$30.00	\$25,624.71
03/27 61	11683253	304758US28	1081	\$250.00	\$25,374.71
03/27 408	0171340376	223687CA-KR, NO	8014	\$75.00	\$25,299.71

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WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A glass strand coated with an aqueous sizing composition, characterized in that said composition  
5 comprises, as film-forming adhesion agents, at least one polyester, at least one polyvinyl acetate and at least one polyurethane.

2. The glass strand as claimed in claim 1,  
10 characterized in that the polyester has a molecular weight varying from 4000 to 17 000 g/mol.

3. The glass strand as claimed in claim 1 or 2,  
characterized in that the polyester is obtained by  
15 reaction of polycarboxylic acid(s) and/or of anhydride(s) of these acids and of polyol(s).

4. The glass strand as claimed in claim 3,  
characterized in that the acid is chosen from  
20 saturated, unsaturated or aromatic diacids, such as fumaric acid, isophthalic acid and terephthalic acid, the anhydride is chosen from phthalic anhydride and maleic anhydride, and the polyol is chosen from  
25 polyalkylene glycols, such as ethylene glycol and propylene glycol, aromatic polyols, such as bisphenol A or F, and novolaks.

5. The glass strand as claimed in one of claims 1 to 4, characterized in that the polyvinyl acetate has a  
30 molecular weight of less than 80 000 g/mol, preferably of less than 70 000 g/mol.

6. The glass strand as claimed in one of claims 1 to 5, characterized in that the polyurethane results from  
35 the reaction of at least one polyisocyanate and of at least one polyol comprising an aliphatic and/or cycloaliphatic chain.

7. The glass strand as claimed in one of claims 1 to